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THE LOST COLONY

In July 1587 a group of 117 men, women, and children set sail from England to the New World. Their ship was blown off course, and they landed on Roanoke Island. They faced very difficult living conditions. Supplies were used up quickly. Their leader, John White, sailed back to England for more supplies. When he returned in 1590, all the settlers had disappeared. The only clues

to their whereabouts were the word *CROATOAN* carved on a post and *CRO* on a tree. White went to Croatoan Island nearby, but no one was there. White sailed back to England feeling defeated. To this day, no one knows for sure what happened to the Lost Colony at Roanoke Island. What do you think happened to the English settlers?



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